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**NOMACORC'S SELECT® BIO RECEIVES NEW TECHNOLOGY AWARD AT
SIMEI-ENOVITIS TRADESHOW**

Company Recognized for Innovation for World's First Zero Carbon Footprint Wine Closure

ZEBULON, N.C. (November 7, 2013) – Nomacorc, the world's leading producer of alternative wine closures, has won the Innovation Challenge's New Technology Award for its Select® Bio Series. Hosted by the SIMEI-ENOVITIS tradeshow, the New Technology Award recognizes the company's achievements in innovation for developing the world's first zero carbon footprint wine closure, Select Bio.

The Innovation Challenge was created with the purpose of rewarding and highlighting companies in the wine trade who are directly investing in innovation, and who are contributing to the advancement of the wine industry sector. Submissions were evaluated by a technical committee composed of representatives from viticulture, enology, the scientific community and member wineries of the Unione Italiana Vini (UIV) trade organization.

"As an industry focused around farming and ecology, we recognize the importance of developing our closures in a smart and sustainable way," said Lars von Kantzow, president and CEO, Nomacorc. "We are extremely proud to be cited for our hard work in developing the world's first zero carbon footprint wine closure, Select Bio, and our achievements in innovation and sustainability."

Nomacorc's Select Bio closure was unveiled this past April at the Intervitis Interfructa tradeshow in Germany. Engineered to be the best closure solution for sustainable wineries and their wines, Select Bio is 100 percent recyclable and made using renewable, plant-based biopolymers derived from sugar cane. The closures will mirror Nomacorc's current Select® Series portfolio in oxygen management performance, and will help minimize the environmental impact of wines by preventing spoilage and waste from cork taint and oxygen-related wine faults, such as oxidation and reduction. Currently, the closures are being trialed by a select group of Nomacorc customers and the full portfolio will be commercially available for the 2014 bottling season.

"Since its inception, Nomacorc has been fueled by innovation and technology, focused on building a better wine closure, and serving as a partner to wineries around the world," said Dr. Olav Aagaard, Nomacorc's principal scientist. "As we continue to invest in research and development, we want to provide more sustainable and efficient solutions and help improve overall wine quality for the industry."

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To celebrate Nomacorc's New Technology Award and the success of its Select Bio closure series, the company will be showcasing the first wine trialed under Select Bio, San Polo Montalcino Rubio by customer Allegrini Estates during the SIMEI-ENOVITIS tradeshow. The tasting will be held on November 12, 2013 from 11:00 – 18:00 at the Nomacorc booth, Padiglione 15 – Stand E21-F22.

For more information about Nomacorc, visit www.nomacorc.com

About Nomacorc

Nomacorc is a worldwide leader in wine closures and the No. 1 closure brand for still wines in many countries including France, Germany and the United States. Dedicated to technological innovation, Nomacorc manufactures its portfolio of products using a patented co-extrusion process. As a result, Nomacorc closures provide consistent, predictable oxygen management and protect against off-flavors due to oxidation, reduction or cork taint. Nomacorc's 100 percent recyclable products are available through a vast network of distributors and sales agents on six continents. With 500 employees worldwide and state-of-the-art manufacturing facilities in the United States, Belgium, China and Argentina, Nomacorc produces more than 2 billion closures annually. Working with renowned wine research institutes worldwide, the company leads the wine closure industry in fundamental and applied research into oxygen management in wine. For more information, visit nomacorc.com or follow Nomacorc on [Twitter](https://twitter.com/Nomacorc) (@Nomacorc) and [Facebook](https://www.facebook.com/Nomacorc) (Nomacorc).

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